

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Original) A method of registering a product using a code processing system, the method comprising:

in a point of sale system, obtaining a communication code that is associated with the product and transmitting the communication code; and

in the code processing system, receiving the communication code, processing the communication code to determine manufacturer information for the product, generating a product registration request, transmitting the product registration request to a manufacturer registration system based on the manufacturer information for registration of the product, generating a communication code activation request responsive to receiving the communication code, and transmitting the communication code activation request and the communication code to a communication code activation system for activation of the communication code.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the communication code comprises a phone card code.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the communication code comprises a pre-paid phone card code.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3 wherein the product is packaged with a pre-paid phone card that includes the pre-paid phone card code.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising:

in the code processing system, receiving a charge authorization request and a financial card number from the point of sale system, transmitting the charge authorization request and the financial card number to a financial network, receiving an authorization response from the financial network, and transmitting the authorization response to the point of sale system.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein the financial network comprises a credit card system.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein generating the product registration request comprises generating a warranty activation request to activate a warranty on the product with a manufacturer.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7 further comprising:
in the code processing system, receiving a warranty activation response from the manufacturer registration system identifying if the warranty is activated.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 further comprising:
in the point of sale system, receiving the warranty activation response from the code processing system and printing a warranty activation certificate based on the warranty activation response.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the code processing system comprises a database that includes the manufacturer information.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the code processing system communicates with the point of sale system, the manufacturer registration system, and the communication code activation system over a Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).

12. (Original) A product registration system, comprising:
- a point of sale system configured to obtain a communication code for a product and transmit the communication code; and
- a code processing system configured to receive the communication code, process the communication code to determine manufacturer information for the product, generate a product registration request, transmit the product registration request to a manufacturer registration system based on the manufacturer information for registration of the product, generate a communication code activation request responsive to receiving the communication code, and transmit the communication code activation request and the communication code to a communication code activation system for activation of the communication code.
13. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the communication code comprises a phone card code.
14. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the communication code comprises a pre-paid phone card code.
15. (Original) The product registration system of claim 14 wherein the product is packaged with a pre-paid phone card that includes the pre-paid phone card code.
16. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the code processing system is further configured to:
- receive a charge authorization request and a financial card number from the point of sale system;
- transmit the charge authorization request and the financial card number to a financial network;
- receive an authorization response from the financial network; and
- transmit the authorization response to the point of sale system.
17. (Original) The product registration system of claim 16 wherein the financial network comprises a credit card system.

18. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the code processing system is further configured to generate a warranty activation request to activate a warranty on the product with a manufacturer and transfer the warranty activation request.

19. (Original) The product registration system of claim 18 wherein the code processing system is further configured to receive a warranty activation response from the manufacturer registration system identifying if the warranty is activated.

20. (Original) The product registration system of claim 19 wherein the point of sale system is further configured to receive the warranty activation response from the code processing system and print a warranty activation certificate based on the warranty activation response.

21. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the code processing system comprises a database that includes the manufacturer information.

22. (Original) The product registration system of claim 12 wherein the code processing system communicates with the point of sale system; the manufacturer registration system, and the communication code activation system over a Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).